



## GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

### Abstract

Election Department - General Election to the Kerala Legislative Assembly, 2026 - Election Department - Fixation of hiring charges for vehicles/covered vehicles, etc. - Rates fixed - Orders issued.

### ELECTION (ACCOUNTS) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.226/2026/ELEC Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 17-03-2026

### ORDER

In connection with the General Election to the Kerala Legislative Assembly - 2026, Government are pleased to fix the hire charges for light and heavy private vehicles and covered vehicles engaged for election duty, as detailed below:

#### **Category - I**

<b>Vehicle Class</b>	<b>Hire charge for 1<sup>st</sup> 24 Hrs</b>	<b>Minimum distance to be covered in 24 hours</b>	<b>Excess charges for additional km within 24 hours</b>	<b>Hire / Detention charges beyond 1<sup>st</sup> 24 hours</b>
<b>Buses:</b> Seating capacity of not less than 30 persons (Excluding driver and	Rs. 6,600/-	100 km	Rs.60/- for every kilometer or part thereof in excess of 100 km.	Rs. 200/hr and part thereof in excess of first 24 hrs subject to a maximum of Rs. 4,600/- for

conductor)				24 hours or Rs. 60/- per every running km or part thereof (Whichever is higher)
<b>Mini Buses:</b> Seating capacity of less than 30 persons (excluding driver and conductor)	Rs. 4,400/-	100 km	Rs. 40/- for every kilometer or part thereof in excess of 100 km.	Rs. 200/hr and part thereof in excess of first 24 hrs subject to a maximum of Rs. 4,400/- for 24 hours or Rs. 40/- per every running km or part thereof (Whichever is higher)
<b>Contract Carriages</b> Seating capacity 15-			Rs. 35/- for	Rs. 150/hr and part thereof in excess of first 24 hrs subject to a

19 including driver (Traveller type vehicles)	Rs. 4,000/-	100 km	every kilometer or part thereof in excess of 100 km	maximum of Rs. 3,500/- for 24 hours or Rs.35/- per every running kilometer or part thereof (Whichever is higher)
<b>Contract Carriages</b> Seating capacity 8 - 14 including driver (Cruiser type vehicles)	Rs. 3,000/-	100 km	Rs. 30/- for every kilometer or part thereof in excess of 100 km	Rs. 125/hr and part thereof in excess of first 24 hrs subject to a maximum of Rs. 2,750/- for 24 hours or Rs. 30/- per every running kilometer or part thereof (Whichever is higher)

**Category - II**

<b>Category of contract carriages</b>	<b>Rate of hire charges</b>	<b>Detention charge</b>
Motor cabs having cubic		

capacity below 1500cc (including tourist Motor Cabs and ordinary motor cabs) with a seating capacity of not more than 7 (seven) persons including driver.	Rs. 21/- per kilometer for motor cabs (both Petrol & Diesel) subject to a minimum of Rs. 250/- for a distance up to 5 km.	Rs. 55 /- per hour subject to a maximum of Rs. 1,100/- for 24 hrs.
Motor cabs having cubic capacity 1500cc and above (including tourist Motor Cabs and ordinary motor cabs) with a seating capacity of not more than 7 (seven) persons including driver.	Rs. 23/- per km for motor cabs (both Petrol & Diesel) subject to a minimum of Rs. 330/- for a distance up to 5 km.	Rs. 55 /- per hour subject to a maximum of Rs. 1,100/- for 24 hrs.

**Category - III (Covered Vehicles)**

<b>Vehicle Class</b>	<b>Hire charge for 1st 24 Hrs</b>	<b>Minimum distance to be covered in 24 hours</b>	<b>Excess charges for additional KMs within 24 hours</b>	<b>Hire / Detention charges beyond 1st 24 hours</b>
Heavy Good Vehicle -	Rs. 6,000/-	100 km	Rs. 55/- for every kilometer or part thereof in excess of 100	Rs. 250/hr and part thereof in excess of first 24 hrs subject to a maximum

Goods closed body			km.	of Rs.5,600/- for 24 hours or Rs.55/- per every running km or part thereof (Whichever is higher)
Medium Goods Vehicle - Goods closed body	Rs. 4,000/-	100 km	Rs. 35/- for every kilometer or part thereof in excess of 100 km.	Rs. 170/hr and part thereof in excess of first 24 hrs subject to a maximum of Rs. 3,800/- for 24 hours or Rs. 35/- per every running km or part thereof (Whichever is higher)
Light			Rs. 25/- for	Rs. 125/hr and part thereof in excess of first 24 hrs subject

Goods Vehicle Goods closed body	Rs. 3,000/-	100 km	every Kilometer or part thereof in excess of 100 km	to a maximum of Rs.2,800/- for 24 hours or Rs. 25/- per every running km or part thereof (Whichever is higher)
Pick Up Model Vehicle	Rs. 1,500/-	100 km	Rs. 12/- for every Kilometer or part thereof in excess of 100 km	Rs. 60/hr and part thereof in excess of first 24 hrs subject to a maximum of Rs. 1,300/- for 24 hours or Rs. 12/- per every running Kilometer or part thereof (Whichever is higher)

2) The rates of hire charges sanctioned above are inclusive of all charges like cost of petrol / diesel etc.

3) The expenditure in this regard may be met from the H/A "2015-

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(By order of the Governor)  
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